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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7364

BILL NUMBER: HB 1483

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 3, 2003

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Distribution of Court Costs.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Stevenson

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: ☒ **GENERAL**
☐ **DEDICATED**
☐ **FEDERAL**

IMPACT: State & Local

STATE IMPACT	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005
State Revenues		(19,238,432)	(19,238,432)
State Expenditures			
Net Increase (Decrease)		(19,238,432)	(19,238,432)

LOCAL IMPACT	CY 2003	CY 2004	CY 2005
Local Revenues	9,619,216	19,238,432	19,238,432
Local Expenditures			
Net Increase (Decrease)	9,619,216	19,238,432	19,238,432

Summary of Legislation: This bill changes the percentages for court costs distributed by the clerk of the circuit court or a city or town clerk or city or town fiscal officer, or retained by a county auditor.

Effective Date: July 1, 2003.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues: This bill would result in a revenue loss of \$19.23 M to the state General

Fund if the percentage that the state General Fund receives is reduced from the current 70% to 45% for court fees from trial courts and if the percentage is reduced from 55% to 25% for court fees collected from the city and town courts.

	Estimated Revenue for FY 2002	Revenue Distribution		New Revenue	Change in Revenue
		Current	Proposed		
Trial Courts:					
State	\$ 42,004,414	70%	45%	\$27,002,838	\$(15,001,576)
County	\$16,201,703	27%	50%	\$30,003,153	\$13,801,450
Local	\$1,800,189	3%	5%	\$ 3,000,315	\$1,200,126
Total	\$60,006,306	100%	100%	\$60,006,306	\$ -
City and Town Courts:					
State	\$ 7,767,568	55%	25%	\$3,530,713	\$(4,236,855)
County	\$2,824,570	20%	25%	\$3,530,713	\$706,143
Local	\$3,530,713	25%	50%	\$7,061,425	\$3,530,713
Total	\$14,122,851	100%	100%	\$14,122,851	\$ -

Summary of Changes in Revenue	
State General Fund	\$(19,238,431.65)
County General Fund	\$14,507,592.85
City or Town General Fund	\$4,730,838.80

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues: Counties, cities, and towns will realize a total increase in general fund revenue of \$19.23 M with the changes made in the court fee distribution formula.

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: All Counties with trial courts; Counties, municipalities, and city and town courts in the following counties: Allen, Blackford, Boone, Carroll, Clark, Clinton, Dearborn, Dekalb, Delaware, Elkhart, Fountain, Grant, Hamilton, Hendricks, Henry, Huntington, Jasper, Jay, Jennings, Johnson, Knox, Lake, Madison, Miami, Montgomery, Morgan, Noble, Perry, Porter, Randolph, Ripley, Saint Joseph, Spencer, Starke, Steuben, Tippecanoe, Tipton, Vermillion, Vigo, Wabash, Washington, Wayne, Wells, White.

Information Sources: Office of the State Auditor.

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